MARYLAND GAZETTE.

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 21, 1775.

LONDON, *July* 8.

Extract of a letter from Chatham, July 9.

"THE twenty task companies, consisting of four hundred shipwrights, still continue to absent themselves from his Majesty's dock yard here, and are determined not to return to their duty till their wages are raised to half a crown per day. The above companies are picked men, and esteemed as good workmen as any in the royal navy; they intend to petition his Majesty for redress, being unable to support themselves and families upon so small a sum as two shillings and one penny a day. In order to accomplish the same, they have appointed Mr. Joseph Meatse and Mr. Daniel Rowley, shipwrights belonging to the said companies, who are qualified men, and extraordinary good workmen, to deliver their petition to his Majesty, for which purpose they set out from hence for London yesterday, at which place they are to meet two of their brother shipwrights from Woolwich, with the like number from Portsmouth, and two from Plymouth yards, deputed for the same business. A contribution is to be made to morrow by the gentlemen of this town, for the support of the shipwrights belonging to this dock-yard, who have large families, and are in want of the necessaries of life.

"Yesterday about 70 shipwrights belonging to the day companies, who were appointed to work on board the ships fitting out for sea at this port, absented themselves, and joined the task companies, being determined, it seems, not to go to work again till their wages are raised to half a crown per day.

"Orders were received yesterday at the commissioners office, to enter shipwrights in this dock-yard.

"Orders were likewise received for the Liverpool frigate, of 28 guns, to be fitted for sea with the greatest expedition.

"Our dock-yard appears a scene of distress, there being now only a few old shipwrights, worn out in the service, to do the business here, with a few apprentices, though three ships are ordered to be got ready for the sea immediately, viz. the Roebuck of 44 guns, the Milford of 28, and the Liverpool beforementioned."

It was yesterday currently reported in the city, that Gibraltar was attacked by the Spaniards; but whether the report originated with the *Alley gentry*, or not, we will not take upon us to determine.

July 12. This day the sheriffs waited on his majesty at St. James's, to know when he would be pleased to be waited on with the city address and petition, praying his majesty to cause hostilities to cease between Great-Britain and America, and to adopt such measures as will restore union, confidence, and peace over the British empire. They were graciously received, and his majesty was pleased to appoint Friday at two o'clock.

Yesterday there was a meeting of all the ministers of state at Kew, to confer with his majesty previous to the sending off a number of dispatches to the governors of the different colonies in America, relative to the above affair.

We are informed, that at the review on Monday, a high officer in administration was heard to say, "that the proposals from the congress will, in all probability, lead to a happy termination of the dispute between England and the colonies."

Extract of a letter from the Hague, June 29.

"In a full assembly of the States-General the 20th ult. it was resolved, that orders be issued from the admiralty board of their high mightinesses the States-General to the Sieur Van Stort, vice-admiral of the Dutch squadron in the West-Indies, instructing him to give orders also to all persons under him, to their utmost power to seize and destroy all ammunition, stores, and provisions, which may be found in any ship or ships, bound from any of the Dutch settlements in that quarter, or on board Dutch ships from any quarter, which are bound to any port in the English American colonies, except such as is consigned either to the governors of New-England, Philadelphia, New-York, Halifax or Virginia, and that such captures shall be considered as lawful prizes, and be shared among the officers and crews of those vessels concerned in taking them, the same as those who are enemies of the states, but that the crews (the captain, his chief mate and supercargo, if any, excepted) be landed on the nearest dominion of Great-Britain, where such capture is made. Resolved, also, that the Sieur Van Stort make this known in every Dutch port or harbour where he may touch.

"Ordered, That these resolutions be made known to his excellency Mr. Yorke, the British minister to the states; and a copy of the same be sent to the Dutch resident at London."

All the officers belonging to the royal train of artillery at Woolwich have received orders to prepare to embark on the shortest notice for foreign service.

On Monday night lord Sandwich, &c. arrived in town, after having viewed the several dock-yards and men of war at Plymouth, Portsmouth, &c. where his lordship and other lords of the admiralty have made several useful regulations, particularly in regard to having ships always ready to sail at a few hours notice to any place where their service may be required."

Extract of a letter from Portsmouth, July 10.

"The Renown and Phœnix, each of 40 guns, are commissioned at this port, and the Rainbow at Sheerness; they are ordered to America to relieve the Boyne, Somerset, and Asia, of 64 guns each; these being found to be too large for that country, and that 40 gun ships will answer the purpose better."

July 13. We are informed, that should the disturbances in New-England continue till the next sitting of Parliament, an act will be passed to make it lawful to try, by a court-martial, all such persons as shall be taken in arms after the promulgation of a proclamation, on a day to be specified in the act. Others affirm, that a court of oyer and terminer shall be established for the special purpose of trying the rebels at Boston; and that no person, suspected by the king's council as disaffected to the supremacy of parliament over America, shall be permitted to sit upon any jury. This measure will be less liable to objections than the bringing of the culprits to be tried in this country.

It is said, that the reason for delaying the 5000 men, which the ministry designed to send to America, is, that the three Generals lately arrived at Boston have sent it home, as their opinion, that they may be able to defeat the provincials without further assistance, though general Gage thinks 15,000 men absolutely necessary for the reduction of New-England. The transports, however, are taken up, and several regiments have received orders to hold themselves in readiness at the shortest notice; so that in case the projected attack on the provincials under Putnam should not appear practicable to our general officers, the reinforcements shall be embarked in the first week in August.

Great bets are laid, that if the American controversy is not settled before next winter, there will be a civil war and revolution in England before the spring.

Wednesday afternoon all the task gangs, consisting of 400 shipwrights, absented themselves from the yard at Chatham, with the view of getting their wages augmented, and were not in the yard on Thursday, in consequence of which an express was sent off to the lords of the admiralty.

Dublin, July 4. On Wednesday upwards of sixty eminent Roman Catholic merchants and traders, preceded by the right hon. lord Trimbleston, attended in the court of King's-bench, before the right Hon. lord Annaly, and took the oaths of allegiance to his majesty, pursuant to an act passed last session in this kingdom.

NEWBURY-PORT, *September* 2.

It is reported that his excellency Governor Wentworth has taken his departure in the Scarborough man of war for Boston.

WATERTOWN, *September* 4.

The following ACTS passed the General Assembly of this colony in their late session, viz.

An act to confirm and establish the resolves of the several provincial congresses of this colony.

An act for making and emitting of bills of public credit.

An act declaratory of the right of certain towns and districts in the colony of the Massachusetts-Bay, in New-England, to elect and depute a representative or representatives to serve for, or represent them in any great and general court or assembly, at any time to be held, and kept for the service of said colony.

An act for removing from their respective offices and places, all the officers, both civil and military, belonging to this colony, of holding or claiming to hold their respective offices or places, by or under any nomination, appointment, or commission, made or granted by any governor or lieutenant governor of the province of the Massachusetts-Bay, in New-England, either with or without the audience and consent of the council, or assistance of the said province, or by the major part of the council or assistants of said province, in the absence of the governor and lieutenant governor, before the perfect meeting of this general court.

An act prescribing the form of an oath to be taken by all commission officers, both civil and military, who have been commissioned for this colony, since the 19th day of July last, or may be hereafter commissioned, until the further order of the great and general court.

WORCESTER, *September* 6.

We hear that a number of transports, which sailed some time since from Boston for Halifax, returned on Thursday and Friday last, it is supposed they have been after fresh provisions.

By a gentleman of undoubted veracity, from Boston, which place he left very lately, we learn, that the distresses of the inhabitants daily increase; when he left the town, twenty-two hundred were sick, and great numbers had died, he supposes near thirty in a week for some time past, that fresh provision was scarcely ever seen, and when any was for sale, the price was so high that but few could purchase it; that the inhabitants were destitute of fewel, and had no prospect of obtaining any; that when the cold season comes on, they must be in as complete a state of misery and distress as perhaps people ever were; that many houses had been broke open, the furniture of some totally destroyed, and others plundered of goods to a very great amount.

Notwithstanding the heavy fire of the enemy from Boston Neck, Bunker's-Hill, and their floating batteries upon our army at Plowed and Prospect Hills, Roxbury, Dorchester, &c. for the week past, they have killed only six men, four at Plowed hill and two at Roxbury.

CAMBRIDGE, *Sept.* 8.

The people of New-Hampshire are building a strong fort on Pierce's island, in Pascataqua river, in order to prevent their capital, the town of Portsmouth, from being attacked by the piratical ships of war, which now infest this coast.

It is said the enemy, since we began our works on Plowed hill, have thrown from their several batteries about 300 shells, not one of which has occasioned the least hurt to a single man in our army.

NEW-YORK, *September* 11.

The following address, &c. from the lord mayor, aldermen and commons, of the city of London, was delivered to Captain Cowper the day he sailed from London, and was to be presented to the King the 14th of July.

To the KING's most excellent MAJESTY.

The humble address and petition of the lord mayor, aldermen, and commons, of the city of London, in common council assembled.

Most gracious Sovereign,

YOUR Majesty's most loyal and dutiful subjects, the lord mayor, aldermen, and commons, of the city of London, in common council assembled, with all humility beg leave to lay themselves at your royal feet, humbly imploring your benign attention towards the grievous distraction of their fellow subjects in America.

The characteristic of the people, Sire, over whom you reign, has ever been equally remarked for an unparallelled loyalty to their sovereign, whilst the principles of the constitution have been the rule of his government; as well as a firm opposition, whenever their rights have been invaded.

Your American subjects, royal Sire, descended from the same ancestors with ourselves, appear equally jealous of their prerogatives of freemen, without which they cannot deem themselves happy.

Their cheerful and unasked for contributions, as well as willing services to the mother country, whilst they remained free from the clog of compulsory laws, will, we are sure, plead powerfully with the humanity of your disposition, for graciously granting them every reasonable opportunity of giving, as freemen, what they seem resolutely determined to refuse, under the injunction of laws made independent of their own consent.

The abhorrence we entertain of civil bloodshed and confusion, will, we trust, sire, if not wholly exculpate us in your royal mind, yet plead powerfully in our favour, for the warmth with which we lament those measures, whose destructive principles have driven our American brethren to acts of desperation.

Convinced of the earnest disposition of the colonists to remain firm in all duteous obedience to the constitutional authority of this kingdom, permit us, most gracious Sovereign, to beseech you, that those operations of force, which at present distract them with the most dreadful apprehensions, may be suspended; and that, uncontrouled by a restraint incompatible with a free government, they may possess an opportunity of tendering such terms of accommodation, as, we doubt not, will approve them worthy of a distinguished rank amongst the firmest friends of this country.

Extract of a letter from a gentleman in London, to his friend in this city, dated July 10, 1775.

"The present struggle between this country and North-America, I have heard old people 50 years ago predict. It is in the nature of things, that the greater will not longer obey the lesser, than when an opportunity presents to exert itself. That period seems now to be come. I have always been of opinion, that the measures pursued here since 1763 were mistaken and unjust; this country should have been content to take the wealth of America by trade, and not by revenue acts, imposed on a people unrepresented: The assembly of the colonies only have a right to give and grant when they think proper to the crown, and not an assembly of people here. This reasoning I think is in the law of nature, this constitution, and so says Mr. Locke. But the last reasoning of kings has now taken place, and the Americans have appealed to heaven, that is, their sword. I hope you will do your duty to your country, and always remember your allegiance and constitutional duty to your king; no other can or ought to be required. The men that I think are the evil counsellors in the present mistaken measures are, lords B—e, M—fi—d, R—f—d, S—w—h, N—th, and many of inferior rank. The greatest part of the nation wish well to America, and detest the present politicks; so that it is a war of administration only. As to parliament, that house is very civil and polite to the minister; a very few members there sometimes oppose him, only be ause they are out of place or have no pension; but when a question is put he carries it as he pleases, and often 10 or 20 to one. However the ministry think are sick of the war in America, yet I see not the least trace of their relaxing, except that I hear of no preparation to send more troops; but probably they will cover the coast with ships of war, and suffer no trade, and truly I think that would be a blessing to America instead of a curse. The eyes of government are fixed on the congress, and their resolutions, and perhaps on their proposals; for it is said, that administration cannot yield, as being contrary to the dignity of the crown: I answer, then change the ministers, another set could with a good grace withdraw the present measures. But in short I think the rupture will be much greater before the wound is healed; some more blood must be drawn, and then they, when cooled will hear, and perhaps agree for some time, but whenever settled, I imagine America will every some points towards the establishment of their liberties."

Sept. 14. By captain Charles M'Cartney, of the ship Peace and Plenty, who left Ireland the 20th of July,

we learn, that they had received the account of the affair at Bunker's-hill.

Extract of a letter from a gentleman at Albany, Sept. 2.

"By an express arrived last evening we hear there has been a skirmish near St. John's between a reconnoitering party of our men in a boat, and a boat of regulars, Canadians, and Indians. The general's letter on the occasion mentions, that the captain of our party was killed (one Baker) and a number of the whites, and two Indians of the enemy were slain; ---that general Montgomery with 1200 men, set off the first of the week for St. John's, and were to muster on the Isle aux Noix, until joined by general Schuyler, who, with about as many more men, has by this time arrived, so that within a few days it is possible the blow will be struck, which shall determine the fate of three provinces; and here I must wait an idle listener to news, merely because hard necessity ties me down, as our men cannot yet march for the want of their campaign equipage.

"Before you get this you will hear of the unhappy affair of Capt. Baker, near St. John's; it seems Baker had often been sent out by general Schuyler, to make observations, but always with strict orders never to molest either Canadians or Indians. The last tour he made was without any orders from the general, and landing somewhere on the shore of the lake, he indiscreetly or wickedly, snapped his firelock at some Indians he saw near him; immediately he was fired at and slain, on which his people returned the fire, and killed two of the savages.---This matter was immediately represented in its true colours by the commissioners of indian affairs, to the six nations, now in congress in this city, who thanked them for their candour; and in order to put out the flame which this unhappy affair could not help kindling a lieutenant sets out to-day with four Mohawk Indians, and an interpreter, to join general Schuyler, wherever he shall be, to endeavour to make up matters. This affair was prodigiously misrepresented here at first."

Capt. Peck, arrived at Coracoa the 5th of August, from Virginia, on his passage fell in with 5 transports from Laguira, bound for Porto Rico, full of soldiers; the ships appeared very large, and were Dutch built.

Extract of a letter dated 31st August, 1775, from a gentleman at Ticonderoga, to his friend in New-York, (a student of the law.)

"Col. Waterbury and Ritzema, under the command of Gen. Montgomery, embarked on Monday night, with 1200 men for Isle aux Noix, near St. John's, to stop our enemies strong vessels, by pickets and booms, till the army and artillery are ready. Your countrymen, with united voices, cry aloud for your utmost exertion in this time of need, *inter arma silent leges*---Fly to arms, to arms, my friend!---Give your country testimony of your attachment to the cause in which we are engaged, supineness and lukewarmness breathe destruction to a free people---Our all is at stake, I had rather never again return from the field, than live and die a slave.

"I am on the eve of embarkation with the remainder of the army, and nine or ten pieces of artillery; four twelve pounders are gone, you will soon hear of very bloody scenes---Hostilities are already commenced in this quarter---Gage has got 2950 barrels of flour from Philadelphia."

Extract of a letter from an officer in the army at Ticonderoga, to his friend in this city, dated August, 1775.

"I have now the pleasure to inform you, that we arrived here on the 19th ult. in good spirits, though we had a very fatiguing march, being obliged to go round by Skenesborough, as there were not boats on lake George to bring us over. Out of the four companies, we had twelve deserted from us on the road, and the most of those were old deserters from the regulars. We held a court martial at every other stage, and gave several of the unruly ones Moses's laws, i. e. thirty-nine; and they now begin to behave very well, being kept under as strict discipline as any of the regulars. There is the greatest plent of fresh and salt provisions here, the men have as much as they can use; a gill of rum and as much spruce beer as they can drink every day, so that they have no occasion to drink the lake water, it being reckoned very unhealthy. The number of troops here at present is 1700 men, and 700 at Crown Point about 14 miles from here. We expect this day four companies of the 2d battalion of New-York forces, the boats being already sent for them. We are ordered to be in readiness in eight days, to sail for St. John's, where we shall have a smart brush with the regulars; the battoes are now making with the greatest expedition, and I am afraid the rest of our regiment will not be here in time. The general talks a good deal of their being so dilatory in coming up, and seems to regret very much the being obliged to go without them. There has been a French gentleman here lately from Canada, who has put our men in great spirits, by assuring us that the greatest part of the Canadians would join us upon our arrival, but that they dare not make themselves known to be our friends, till we are landed amongst them. The same gentleman, who is a person of great property there, declared that upon our arrival, he would kill five fat oxen to make a treat for the officers. As for my own part, there is nothing gives me the least uneasiness.

P. S. Since writing the above, a spy of ours arrived from St. John's, who says, that there were two vessels ready to be launched at that post, each mounting 16 guns, in order to take possession of the lake, which would render it impossible for us, for some time, to get past, therefore we have received immediate orders to embark for that place, and are to sail to-morrow morning, the 28th.

Col. Waterbury's regiment of 1000 men, Captain Mott's company of 160 men, and our own four companies, with 700 that are now at Crown Point; and 500 of the Mountain boys are to join us. Our spy informs us, that there were only 570 regulars at St. John's, and 50 Indians; so that I am in hopes we shall meet with very little resistance, if we do, we are pretty well prepared for them. We leave 5 companies of the second battalion of New-York forces here, and about 3 companies of the New-England troops. This is all the intelligence I can get you at present."

By capt. Henderson, of the ship Two Brothers, who arrived in this port on Wednesday last, from Carthagena and Malaga, which last place he left the third of August, we are informed that the grand Spanish fleet, consisting of 8 sail of the line of battle ships, 10 frigates, 3 bombs, 12 chebecks, and 9 row-gallies, 500 sail of transports, with 25,000 troops on board, had sailed from Carthagena the 23d of June for the coast of Barbary, where they had landed (about 15 miles to the eastward of Algiers) 8000 men, who were opposed on the beach by about 1500 men, under cover of a slight breast-work, from which the Moors fired some cannon and musquetry, during the march of the Spanish troops, which did not prevent their taking possession of the breast-work; immediately upon which, the Moors retreated a small distance into the mountains, the Spaniards followed, and were surprised by a great number, supposed to be 20,000 Moors, who had regularly intrenched themselves in expectation of the Spaniards following the retreating party, from whence they attacked the Spaniards with such impetuousity, that before general O'Reily, who had landed with 8000 men, could come to their assistance, they were totally routed, with the loss of 5000 men killed and wounded, with the general who commanded.---General O'Reily covered the retreat of such as could get off, and with the whole troops immediately embarked on board the transports, and returned to Alicant.

Extract of a letter from London, July 5.

"I am extremely sorry that you have occasion to enlarge with so much truth on our present unhappy disputes with one another; it is now too late to reason on the unfortunate circumstances which gave rise to them. The despots here, who are the cause of them, begin to be terribly alarmed. The city, with the lord mayor at their head, are all violently in our favour: it is needless to relate circumstantially the proceedings of the common hall, you will see them very accurately stated in the different news papers. For my part I do not see any possible means of a reconciliation, as long as the present violent tory administration remain in office---but thank God, at last, the report goes that there is to be a total change; lord Rockingham, at the head of the treasury, is to have lord Chatham's assistance. The massacre at Lexington made vast confusion in the cabinet, which, the world says is the cause of this change.

Extract of another letter from London, July 10.

"I need not tell you that the account of the Lexington skirmish alarmed the people on this side the water extremely. They did not imagine the provincials would fight, and they had certainly entertained a notion, that a handful of regulars might overcome the whole country, and frighten the Americans into compliance. They have been most miserably mistaken; and the authors of this mischief are now execrated by every friend to his country. On the other hand, the bravery, moderation, as well as the determined firmness of the Americans, has gained them many friends here, even among those who were originally their enemies. I believe the ministry wish they were well rid of this business, however it is not certainly known what they intend to do."

Extract of a letter from Lisbon, August 1.

"Private letters from Spain say, that the Spanish fleet, consisting of 6 line of battle ships, 14 sail of frigates, with several sail of armed ships and transports, to the number (all included) of 432, sailed from Carthagena, having on board 24,000 foot, and 15,000 horse soldiers, with field and battery cannon, &c. intended for Algiers. They landed (on the 8th of July, five miles westward of Algiers) the whole of their army, by seven o'clock in the morning, and by eight began the engagement, which encreased very fast, as the Algerines came down in abundance. The Spaniards kept the field till the afternoon, when finding the enemy too powerful, it was thought prudent to retreat, which they did in great confusion, and all the time the enemy advanced with great resolution. By dark the Spaniards had embarked the remains of their army, with the loss of about 7000 men, three field officers, and a great many inferior ones; their loss would have been much greater had not their retreat been so bravely covered by the Walloon guards and the Irish brigades, which two regiments were almost all cut to pieces. The Algerines loss is not yet known, but is imagined to be considerable. This expedition was commanded by land by general O'Reily, who, they say, behaved with great courage. The next day the whole squadron sailed back for Carthagena, where they arrived the day following. As yet it is unknown whether they will make a second attempt."

The snow Sarah, capt. Jones, from this port, is arrived at Lisbon in 31 days. On Sunday, the 9th of July, in the evening, she fell in and was chased by a frigate built vessel, single deck, very black and dirty, mounting 30 guns, and full of men, which at day-break, Monday morning, fired her larboard bow gun and hoisted Spanish colours; about 9 o'clock, fired seven guns, and at six in the evening fired another gun to leeward, and hoisted French colours; and having chased all night and Tuesday, at six in the evening, took down her sail and lay too under her mizen---and at noon rise made sail to the southward.

Extract of a letter from London, July 12.

"The parliament is not sitting, and of course nothing transpires; things seem to bear a more favourable aspect; that fiery spirit of administration with which we were at first threatened, is in a great measure appeased; the unanimity, and unexpected measures entered into by the colonies, has opened their eyes, and I am inclined to hope will convince them of their error. ---The undauntedness of your conduct throughout the whole of this disagreeable contest, is such as does you honour, and deserves to be handed down to the latest posterity; you have already shewn them what you Americans can do, and that you are determined to risk your lives and properties in defence of your liberties---I hope you will continue firm in your wise resolution of non-importation and exportation, this will occasion more noise, in particular amongst the manufacturers, as these people begin now to complain, and will continue so to do as their miseries increase.

"An express arrived the 10th instant from Gibraltar, which brings an account of a large body of troops marching to attack that place; likewise mentions the Spanish fleet being but sixty leagues off; and it was expected the garrison would be attacked by land and sea in a short time."

Monday next the General Assembly of this province meets here.

Extract of a letter from Cambridge, Sept. 4.

"The enemy are endeavouring to annoy our new post with shot and bombs: their shot have killed four and wounded three on this side. At Roxbury they killed three on Friday night,---a small loss.---We seldom return the fire. On Saturday we gave them a few 24 pounders, which we believe killed several of their men, as the first shot entered their guard-house. Deserters are coming over to us every day.

"Mr. Simpson of Pennsylvania, who was wounded at Plowed hill, is since dead."

Captain Davidson, from Cadiz, informs, that a French captain, who arrived there reported, that the Spanish fleet had landed 16,000 men with artillery before the town of Algiers, and that they were immediately attacked by a large body of horse and entirely cut off. The French captain was imprisoned by the governor of Cadiz, for reporting the above, till he should hear the truth of it.

Extract of a letter from Prospect-hill, dated August 31.

"Last Saturday evening a party of 1000 men, attended by a picquet guard of 2000 Provincials and 400 riflemen, were ordered to throw up an entrenchment on the Plow'd-hill, which lies on Charlestown neck, about half a mile from Bunker's-hill.---They had their works considerably advanced before dawn, at which time they expected to be attacked, but the regulars observed a profound silence till about 10 o'clock, when they began a very heavy cannonade on our men on the hill, which continued pretty constantly the whole day. An adjutant and a private soldier of the Massachusetts men, had their heads shot off, and one volunteer in the rifle battalion, of the name of Simpson, received a wound in his leg, of which he is since dead.

"They remained quiet all Sunday night, but on Monday morning we were alarmed by a signal from Chelsea, and presently perceived that the enemy were drawn up and in motion on the side of Bunker's-hill facing that way.---It was immediately conjectured that they intended to attack us at high water, and in a short time 5 or 6000 of our men were marched to the entrenchments on Plow'd-hill, and on the Charlestown road.---We there waited till near 3 o'clock in the afternoon, whilst the most awful silence was observed by both sides, until some of our men straggling along the walls, fired upon the regular centries, which brought on several shots from the floating batteries, with the loss of one of the Bay soldiers.---since that time they have thrown between 20 and 30 bombs, and a vast number of cannon balls, but without doing any injury to our people. Unless very large reinforcements soon arrive, there will not be another engagement this year, as we have so vastly the superiority in point of number. At present they lie tolerably still, except disturbing us at night with their bombs."

ANNAPOLIS, *September 21.*

By a gentleman from the Northward we are favoured with the following.

His Majesty's answer to the address and petition of the lord mayor, aldermen, and commons, of the city of London, in common council assembled, July 21, 1775.

I AM always ready to listen to the dutiful petitions of my subjects, and ever happy to comply with their reasonable requests; but while the constitutional authority of this kingdom is openly resisted by a part of my American subjects, I owe it to the rest of my people, of whose zeal and fidelity I have had such constant proofs to continue and enforce those measures by which alone their rights and interests can be asserted and maintained.

At a meeting of a great number of the freeholders and other freemen of Prince-George's county, at the Court-house in Upper-Marlborough, on the second Tuesday of September, 1775, for the purpose of electing a committee of observation and delegates for the said county, according to the resolves of the late provincial convention,

THE proceedings of the said convention were read and approved, and the following persons were, by the said freeholders and freemen, elected a committee of observation for the said county, for the term of one year, from the day aforesaid, to wit:

Col. Joseph Sim, Thomas Contee, Dr. Leonard Holliday, capt. William Bowie, Thomas Gantt, jun. Alexander Howard Magruder, Thomas Truman, David Craufurd, William Beanes, John Rogers, Benjamin Hall, son of Francis, Thomas Sim Lee, Addison Murdock, John Contee, Robert Tyler, William Turner Wootton, Edward Hall, son of Henry, Jeremiah Magruder, Richard Bennett Hall, James Mullikin, Richard Duckett, jun. Thomas Williams, Abraham Boyd, Basil Waring the third, col. Joshua Beall, Walter Williams, George Lee, Enoch Magruder, Henry Rose, Josias Beall, William Lyles, jun. Thomas Beall, and William Digges. And the following persons were, by the said freeholders and freemen, chosen delegates for the said county for the said term of one year, from the day aforesaid, to wit:

Col. Joseph Sim, Josias Beall, Thomas Contee, John Rogers, and Robert Tyler, with such power and authority as specified and contained in the said resolves.

Ordered, That the aforegoing proceedings be published in the Maryland Gazette.

Signed per order,
HUGH LYON, clk. com.

Prince George's county.

AT a meeting this 12th day of September, 1775, of the following gentlemen of the committee of observation, for the county aforesaid, to wit: John Rogers, Robert Tyler, A. H. Magruder, Enoch Magruder, William Lyles, jun. William Beanes, Thomas Williams, Richard Hall, col. Joseph Sim, col. Joshua Beall, Abraham Boyd, Walter Williams, Thomas Contee, Basil Waring the third, James Mullikin, Benjamin Hall, son of Francis, William Turner Wootton, John Contee, Thomas Gantt, junior, Richard Bennett Hall, Addison

Murdock, Thomas Sim Lee, David Craufurd, Joshua Beall, and Leonard Holliday, were the following proceedings, to wit:

Levin Covington, Robert Bowie, and John Hawkins Lowe, were appointed to enrol a company of minute-men each, in the county aforesaid; and the committee appointed col. Joshua Beall and col. Joseph Sim, or either of them, to view the companies of minute-men to be raised by the persons above nominated.

The following persons were appointed to be a committee of correspondence for the said county, to wit: Thomas Sim Lee, Benjamin Hall, son of Francis, David Craufurd, Addison Murdock, and John Contee.

The following persons were appointed to be a committee for licensing suits, agreeable to the resolves of the late provincial convention, to wit: David Craufurd, Addison Murdock, John Contee, William Beanes, William Bowie, Benjamin Hall, son of Francis, and William Turner Wootton.—And the following persons were appointed to receive all voluntary contributions hereafter to be made in the said county, according to a resolve of the said convention, to wit: Thomas Gantt, junior, Samuel Chew Hepburn, Thomas Duckett, William Murdock, and Luke Marbury.

Ordered, That the proceedings aforesaid be published in the Maryland Gazette.

The committee then adjourned till Thursday the 28th this instant.

Signed, per order,
HUGH LYON, clk. com.

Loan-office, Sept. 20, 1775.

NOTICE is hereby given, that a number of Bonds will be put in suit, if one year's interest, due on them, shall not be paid before the first day of October next.

Prince George's county, September 12, 1775.

TO THE PUBLIC.

THE Rev. Mr. Boucher, having sailed last Sunday in the Choptank Frigate, for England, with the hope of returning again early in the next summer; desired me, to whom he has given a power of attorney to transact his business during his absence, to give this public notice, that if in his hurry, he had left any accounts untelled, such might apply to me, who will either make payment or give security, if required.

OVERTON CARR.

To be sold at public auction, on Thursday the 5th of October next,

SUNDRY valuable houshold furniture, too tedious to mention, hogs, cattle, horses, &c. together with about 100 bushels of good wheat, 100 barrels of Indian corn, two leines and two canoes, at my present dwelling plantation, near Lower-Marlborough, Calvert county. w 2 WILLIAM HICKMAN.

N. B. If it should prove a wet day, the next fair day proceeding. 1 30 6 W. H.

To be sold by the subscriber,

A LIKELY negro man, about 22 years of age, who has been used to plantation work, and understands going by water. 1 10 3 ANNE GAITHER.

TEN POUNDS REWARD.

August 28, 1775.

RAN away this morning, from the subscriber, living on Elk-ridge, in Anne-Arundel county, Maryland, a convict servant man named JOHN PEACOCK, a shoemaker by trade, a likely well made fellow, about 5 feet 8 inches high, brown complexion, black hair and eyes, is very talkative, an artful cunning fellow, is very officious in shewing his skill in drawing pictures, and making print letters, he pretends to know the painting business, writes a tolerable good hand, and it's likely may forge a pass: had on when he went away, a new felt hat, osnabrig shirt, country tow linen trousers, and an iron collar, and its supposed he stole a matchcoat blanket; it's likely he will soon change his apparel by stealing other cloaths, and will probably get off his collar; he ran away last March and was put into Carlyle jail. Whoever takes up the said servant, and secures him in any jail, so that his master may get him again, shall have five pounds, and if out of the province ten pounds, including what the law allows, and reasonable charges if brought home, paid by

4w 1 JOHN HOOD.

STRAYED from Poplar-hill, the seat of Robert Darnall, Esq; in Prince George's county, on the 10th of August, a dark chesnut horse, 9 years old, about 14 hands high; he is a strong boney horse, has a blaze in his face, paces, trots, and gallops, and has a brand on his near buttock resembling a T. Whoever will return him to Mr. Darnal', or the subscriber in Annapolis, may receive a guinea reward.

JAMES MURRAY.

THERE is at the plantation of the subscriber, in Prince George's county, taken up as a stray, a dark bay horse, about 14 hands high, branded on the near shoulder 66, and near buttock with an O. The owner may have him again, on proving property, and paying charges.

Came also to the said plantation some time since, a very old gray horse, [illegible] been much abused. The owner may have him [illegible] lying to

1 ROBERT DARNALL.

Annapolis, August 23, 1775.

WANTED immediately, a number of hands who are acquainted in the different branches of the manufacture of fire arms—good wages and encouragement will be given to such as have been used to work in any branch, according to their proficiency and industry, either by the piece or time.—As good locksmiths, or other neat filers, will be soon handy in making several parts of gun-locks, to such also I will give good encouragement.—There are many servants about the country who would be very useful in the necessary business I am now engaging in; I should be glad to be informed of such, and with to hire them, or purchase their times of service of their masters.

5 ISAAC HARRIS.

N. B. I want to hire a good file-cutler.

To be sold for cash, or good bills of exchange, on the 5th day of November next, at the house of Mr. William Brown, in London town,

A GOOD plantation, situate in a good neighbourhood, being about 8 miles from Annapolis, 4 from South-river, and about 5 miles from Patuxent, and near the great main road leading to Virginia, consisting of about two hundred acres of land; one part whereof is well timbered, a good meadow and a large apple and peach-orchard thereon, a good dwelling-house and frame for another; a kitchen, a tobacco-house, a large quantity of hogs with other live stock, and all the implements for husbandry, &c. For further particulars, enquire of John Tidings, living on the premises.

N. B. The title indisputable. 2 X

September 3, 1775.

By virtue of a deed of trust, to us the subscribers, executed by Mr. Jonathan Pinkney, and for the use of Mr. William Roberts, will be publicly sold to the highest bidder, for sterling money,

A LOT of land lying in the city of Annapolis, distinguished by the number 71, on which are a brick dwelling-house and other improvements, lately in the occupation of Mr. John Ball, innholder; this lot is subject to an incumbrance in the loan-office of £223 sterling, and some interest; this money must be paid out of the purchase, and the residue to the use of William Roberts, by the trustees: this valuable lot, and the improvements, will be sold to the highest bidder, on Friday the 29th day of this present month of September, at 11 o'clock, in the forenoon. Six months credit will be given to the purchaser, on giving bond and good security, with lawful interest thereon.

Likewise will be publicly sold to the highest bidder, on Saturday the 30th day of this month September, if it should be a fair day, if not, on the Monday following, (for sterling money)

A VALUABLE plantation on the north-side of Severn river, in Anne-Arundel county, containing by estimate 400 acres more or less, with some improvements; it lies about seven miles from the city of Annapolis, and now in the tenure and occupation of Mr. Jonathan Pinkney. Six months will be given for payment, on giving bond with good security, and paying lawful interest thereon.

2 X THOMAS HARWOOD, jun.
JOHN BULEEN.

P. S. The purchasers may have it in their option to pay the ready money, which will save interest, and the trouble of giving bond and security.

September 13, 1775.

To be sold to the highest bidder, for ready cash, on Wednesday the 4th day of October next, if fair, if not the next fair day,

A TRACT of land, containing three hundred acres, lying in St. Mary's county, about three miles below the old city of St. Mary, and within one mile of St. Inigoe's warehouse: there is on the said land a large brick dwelling-house, with four rooms on a floor, and all other houses necessary. The said land, &c. is now rented for six thousand pounds of crop tobacco per year, but may be entered on at Christmas next, and is very convenient to a famous creek for fish and oysters. The sale to be at two o'clock, by

2 BENNET BISCOE.

London bills will be taken at the common exchange.

TO BE SOLD,

A PAIR of very fine charriot geldings, full 15 hands high. Enquire at Mr. Brown's, at Annapolis. 12 tf

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Chester-town, September 1, 1775.

To be rented to the highest bidder, that valuable seat of land called Holland's Lot, late the dwelling of Mr. Samuel Budd, laying near Swan creek, in Harford county, now in the tenure of Mr. Amos Garrett.

THERE are between two and three hundred acres of cleared land on the tract, and a good crop of wheat will be put into the ground this season; several valuable stores will be rented with the land. I have never seen this tract of land, but it is esteemed by those who knew it, to be some of the best in the province. I shall attend on the premises on the 10th day of October next, to receive applications, and enter into articles with such person as may offer the most advantageous terms to 5 w

3 THOMAS RINGGOLD.

To be sold by the subscriber, in Annapolis,

THREE hearty strong young country born negro fellows. Also a young country born negro wench and her son; the wench has been brought up to house work by the subscriber, and is very compleat, likewise a horse and cow: they are part of the estate of Mr. Reverdy Ghiselin, deceased, and sold to discharge his debts, and may be seen and agreed for, by applying to MARY GHISELIN, executrix.

As it is impossible in these calamitous times to collect the debts due to my deceased husband's estate, and it will be very difficult for me to support myself and family, I propose keeping a house to board gentlemen who attend courts or other public business, by the day; I will be careful to provide good accommodations, and shall be thankful to those who will favour me in this way. 5 w 3 M. G.

THERE is at the plantation of Israel Pemberton, at West-river meeting-house, taken up as a stray, a bright bay horse, about 14 hands high, and about 6 years old, has a blaze in his face, a blemish in his off eye, no perceivable brand. The owner may have him again, on proving property, and paying charges. 3 w 3 X

THERE is at the plantation of Peter Engle, of Frederick county, taken up as a stray, a small iron gray mare, 6 years old, about 12 hands high, marked on the near buttock T, paces and trots, seems to draw her breath with much difficulty, owing as would appear to a blow she has received on her face when a colt. The owner may have her again, on proving his property, and paying charges. 3 w 3 X

COMMITTED to my c[illegible] runaways, the two f[illegible] thew Owings, a sailor, [illegible] 6 inches high, [illegible] with a little gre[illegible] On when comm[illegible] and cape to st[illegible] linsey-an stockings, [illegible] William Barney, [illegible] about 25 years of age, dark complexion, [illegible] and black eyes, had an old jacket of coarse striped ginghan jacket, serge breeches, old shoe trousers, check shirt, and a sailor's cap; they both deny being servants. Their masters, if any they have, are desired to take them away, and pay charges to

3 X THOMAS MILLER, sheriff.

JUSTUS [illegible]

Peruke-maker, and gentlemen and ladies hair-dresser,

BEGS leave to inform those gentlemen and ladies that please to honour him with their commands, that he has taken the house formerly possessed by Mr. John Hepburn, upon Church-hill, where he carries on his said trade in all its various branches, viz. dressing of hair in the neatest manner, and making perukes, ladies hair rolls, curls, &c. after the newest taste, and in the genteelest fashion; and as he has had many years experience both at Paris and London, he desires not but to give full satisfaction to those that please to employ him, and he hopes to meet with the favour and approbation of the public, as he is determined to execute all orders in the neatest manner, upon the most reasonable terms, and with the utmost punctuality. tf

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THE partnership of James Dick and Stewart being expired, all persons indebted to them are requested to make what payments they possibly can. Persons indebted by open account, and who cannot conveniently pay, are desired to settle by granting their bonds or notes for their several balances; such a reasonable request, it is hoped will be complied with, that the subscribers may not be under the disagreeable necessity of making application to have suits brought. Constant attendance will be given at the store, by James Dick and Stewart.

The goods remaining in the late store of James Dick, and Stewart, will be sold on reasonable terms, wholesale or retail by the subscribers. Also all sorts of cordage manufactured at Nevington rope walk, likewise Madeira wine, by the pipe, hhd. or quarter cask.

3 JAMES DICK.

FIFTEEN POUNDS REWARD.

RAN away last night from the subscribers, living in Baltimore county, Maryland, near Mr. Robert Cumming's mill, three convict servant men, viz. Thomas Akiter, a Yorkshireman, talks very broad, and slow spoken, about 5 feet 7 or 8 inches high, pretty stout made, has a scar on his upper lip, and is pock-marked; took with him when he went away, an old felt hat, a small fearnkin jacket with sleeves, and a larger outside ditto of brown tufted cloth, three osnabrig shirts, two pair of old trousers, one of roll the other osnabrigs, and a pair of old shoes with strings.

Harper John Bumstead, an Englishman, quick spoken, about 5 feet 11 inches high, a stout boney man, of a sandy complexion, pock-marked, broad mouth, and thick lips; took with him when he went away, an old castor hat, old surtout coat and red jacket, two shirts, one of white linen, the other of brown, a pair of blue cloth breeches, several pair of old worsted stockings, a pair of old shoes with nails in the heels, and white mettle pewter buckles.

Henry Cook, an Englishman, about 5 feet 8 or 9 inches high, middling thin visage, smooth face; took with him when he went away, an old felt hat tarred and bound round the edge, one check and one osnabrig shirt, a Russia linen frock much tarred, a pair of Russia linen trousers much tarred, a pair coarse country linen ditto, and a pair of old shoes with large brass buckles. It is supposed they took with them two striped duffil blankets. It is probable they will change their cloaths, alter their names, and will forge passes, and may have gone off by water. Whoever takes up said servants, and secures them so as their masters may get them again, shall receive if taken up in this county 40 shillings for each, if taken out of the county, and in the province, three pounds for each, and if out of the province, the above reward, and reasonable charges if brought home, paid by

BENJAMIN MERRYMAM,
5 JOHN ORRICK.

August 30, 1775.

RAN away from the subscriber on the 28th instant, living near Queen-Anne, in Prince George's county, an English servant man, by name James Holmes, about 5 feet 4 or 6 inches high, not over 20 years old, is of a light eye, hair and complexion, his hair much trimmed, has down looks, with little to say when spoken to, remarkable large legs, one of them has lately had a very bad sore, occasioned by a fever falling into it; had on and took with him, two osnabrig shirts and trousers, an old pea jacket, and felt hat, have some reason to think he is trying to get on board some ship, as he has been very inquisitive about those in Patuxent. Whoever takes up the said servant, and delivers him to his master living as above, shall receive as a reward, 20 shillings if taken 20 miles from home, 30 shillings, if 30 miles, 40 shillings, if 40 miles, and 5 pounds if out of the province, besides what the law allows.

N. B. All masters of ships or other craft, are desired to guard against the above servant being taken and concealed on board their vessels by their people, as is sometimes done to the great prejudice of their master.

3 X THOMAS BOYD.

Frederick county, August 23, 1775.

To all whom it may concern.

WHEREAS Sarah Helm, my wife, hath eloped from me, after running me into sundry debts, the public is hereby desired not to credit her, the said Sarah Helm, any more upon my account, as I will not pay any sums contracted by her, the said Sarah Helm, after the date hereof. w 3

JOSEPH HELM.

STRAYED [illegible] the 6th inſtant, [illegible] years old, about 13 and ½ hands high, [illegible] a ſmall ſtar in her forehead, a thin [illegible] ſmall ſwitch tail, ſhod before, no perceivable [illegible] galled with the [illegible] ſmall lump on the top of his nose buttock, [illegible] by a ſtrap, her gaites a fine and gallop. Whoever gives information of ſaid mare, ſo that ſhe may be had again, ſhall receive 40 ſhillings reward, or 30 ſhillings if brought home; but if ſtolen, and the thief be ſecured, ſo that he be convicted of the ſame, ſhall receive 40 ſhillings reward, by 4 GAVIN HAMILTON SMITH.

SIX DOLLARS REWARD.

RAN away on the 14th inſtant from the ſubſcriber, living in Kent county, Maryland, an indented ſervant man, named Job Hain, about 32 years old, 5 feet 10 or 11 inches high, a maſter by trade, born near Bath, in Somerſet county, England, from which place he arrived in this country the 28th of May laſt, in the ſhip Fleetwood, capt. Charles Steuart; had on and took with him, two check ſhirts, oſnabrig trowſers, black ſtockings, old hat and ſhoes, whitiſh jacket, if any other cloaths they are not known; he is ſtoop ſhouldered, and ſqueals in his talk. Whoever ſecures the ſaid ſervant, ſo that his maſter may have him again, ſhall receive the above reward, and if brought home, reaſonable charges, paid by

w 6 7X ISAAC PERKINS

FOUR DOLLARS REWARD.

WENT away the firſt inſtant from the ſubſcriber, living near Lower-Marlborough, in Calvert county, an Engliſh ſervant man, named Daniel Slude, about 5 feet 8 inches high, well made, about 46 years of age, brown complexion, his hair very lately been cut off, and the back of his head ſore, his thumb and middle finger of his left hand freſh cut, has a ſore heel which occaſions him to limp at times, ſhews his teeth much when he talks, and has the North country dialect, by trade a ſawyer, though pretends to be a gardener and weaver; had on and took with him two oſnabrig or Ruſſia ſheeting ſhirts, two pair of oſnabrig trouſers, a pair of white ſerge Breeches with metal buttons, a new grey fearnought jacket with black horn buttons, a ſwanſkin jacket with black buttons and bound with black ferret, an old caſtor hat, a pair of double ſoaled ſhoes double vamp'd—I underſtand he intends to change his name, and ſaid he never would own he was a ſervant, that he intended to travel of nights to make his eſcape more ſecure, and that he intended to Boſton to general Gage, who he underſtood would protect all ſervants who came to him. Whoever takes up ſaid ſervant and ſecures him, ſo that I get him again, ſhall have the above reward, including what the allows, and reaſonable charges if brought home, paid by w 8 WILLIAM ALLEIN.

13X Calvert county, May 1, 1775.

RAN away from the ſubſcriber, a likely well made negro man, named Mial, formerly the property of Mr. Young Parran, about 25 years of age, 5 feet 8 or 9 inches high, of a very black complexion, ſhews his teeth much when he talks, is generally very complaiſant, very ſenſible, has been uſed to go by water, and poſſibly may try to paſs for a free man; had on when he went away, a blue cloth jacket with a ſmall red under one, cotton trowſers made ſailor faſhion and much tarred, but as he has been gone ſome time, it is probable he may have changed his cloaths—I have heard he propoſed going towards Alexandria in Virginia. Whoever takes up ſaid negro, and brings him to the ſubſcriber near Lower-Marlborough, ſhall receive twenty dollars, or ſecures him in any jail, ſo that I may get him again, ſhall receive a reward of five pounds currency, paid by tf WILLIAM ALLEIN.

To be le[illegible]

THE dwelling-houſe &c. where I now reſide.

tf 14 JAMES TILGHMAN, Annapolis.

TO be ſold by the ſubſcribers, a valuable tract of land, lying in Frederick county, about 16 miles from George-town, containing 300 acres, about 100 acres cleared and under good fence; poſſeſſion will be given the purchaſer the firſt of September next. Any perſon deſirous to purchaſe, may ſee the land by applying to Mr. Simon Nickolls, near the premiſes.

tf 12 DAVID CRAWFORD, WILL. DEAKINS, jun.

TO BE SOLD, 9

A VERY neat light charriet and harneſs for two horſes; enquire at Mr. Brown's, in Annapolis. tf

Calvert county, Auguſt 8, 1775.

RAN away from the ſubſcriber, the 6th inſtant, a likely well made negro man, named Jeffery, of a yellow complexion, has an impediment in his ſpeech, about 21 years of age, 5 feet 8 or 9 inches high; had on an oſnabrig ſhirt, old green Welch cotton jacket and breeches, he may change his dreſs having taken other cloaths with him; I am informed he intended to leave this province, and endeavour to paſs for a freeman. Whoever will take up ſaid negro, and bring him to the ſubſcriber, near Hunting-town, in the aforeſaid county, or ſecures him in any manner ſo that he may be had again, ſhall receive a reward of 5 pounds currency, and if taken 40 miles from home, 20 dollars w 6 JOSEPH IRELAND.

N. B. All maſters of veſſels and others, are warned at their peril not to carry him off. 5

STRAYED about three weeks ago from the ſubſcriber, a large red cow, about 8 years old, ſhe was lately purchaſed from a perſon who brought her from the back woods, where it is ſuppoſed ſhe will endeavour to make; ſhe has a white ſtreak from the ridge of her back to her tail, and ſome white in her face—I will give 30 ſhillings currency to any perſon that will deliver her in Annapolis.

7 J. CLAPHAM.

April 20, 1775.

TEN POUNDS REWARD.

RAN away from the ſubſcriber, living in Kent county, Maryland, the 2th of this inſtant, two Iriſh indented ſervants, each of which has about three years to ſerve, viz.

FRANCIS MANIS, about thirty years of age, a very ſtout well made fellow, about five feet ten inches high, very full faced, ſhort dark hair; had on and took with him, a good brown broad cloth coat, and black velvet jacket and breeches, and a pair of black everlaſting breeches, with yellow metal buttons, an old blue coat with new large ſleeves, ſhirts, ſhoes and ſtockings; his calling a ditcher or brickmaker.

JOHN DELANY, about 26 years of age, five feet eight inches high, well made, fair ſkin, ruddy complection, ſhort brown hair; had on and took with him, a green jacket made ſailor faſhion, a purple under jacket, a white ſhirt, one or two check ſhirts, much worn, a new felt hat, a black ſilk handkerchief round his neck, a pair of white kerſey breeches, and a pair of blue ſerge breeches, one pair of Scotch Kilmarnock, and one pair of Kendall ribbed hoſe mixed black and white, a pair of half worn ſhoes, and ſquare ſteel buckles, he writes a good hand; and they have both been in different parts of Pennſylvania. Whoever takes up the aforeſaid ſervants, and ſecures them ſo that the ſubſcriber may have them again, ſhall receive ten pounds reward, if taken out of the province, if in the province, ſix pounds, or half the above reward for either, by 16 RICHARD GRAVES.

Prince George's county, May 24, 1775.

NOTICE is hereby given to all perſons indebted to the ſubſcriber, either by bond, note, or open account, to immediately come and ſettle their reſpective debts, as I am determined to give no longer indulgences.—I hope this requiſition will be adverted to, otherwiſe I ſhall take compulſory methods to enforce payment, without any reſpect to perſons.

13 JOSEPH DUVALL.

To be rented for any term of years, not exceeding fourteen, and entered upon next November,

THE houſes and ferry oppoſite to Alexandria, either with or without an adjoining improved plantation; the land whereof is, in general good, with a large quantity of valuable meadow ground. This being a place much frequented, and likely to become daily more ſo with the riſing importance of Alexandria, renders it peculiarly fit either for a tavern, or a place of trade, or both. The buildings now upon it, excepting one new houſe intended for a kitchen, are but indifferent; it is, therefore, propoſed, that the tenant ſhall erect ſuch as he may judge neceſſary, for which a proper abatement will be made in the rent. For terms, apply to the Rev. Mr. Jonathan Boucher, or Mr. John Addiſon near the premiſes. 13 tf

FIVE POUNDS REWARD.

RAN away from the ſubſcriber, in Prince George's county, oppoſite Lower-Marlborough, on Monday the 7th inſtant, two Engliſh ſervants, the one a man, named Edward Richards, by trade a houſe carpenter and joiner, about 20 years of age, 5 feet 4 or 5 inches high, wears his own hair, which is brown and ſhort: had on a pompadour coloured cloth coat, buckſkin breeches, and a pair of ſilver buckles in his ſhoes. The other a woman, whoſe name is Jane Skinner, but may probably paſs for his wife: they took with them ſundry cloaths, viz. 1 brocade, 3 ſilk and 2 chintz gowns, ſeveral new linen ſhifts, 5 or 6 pair of fine lace ruffles, ſome napkins, towels, and table cloths, of diaper and linen, 5 or 6 pair of womens cotton ſtockings, and many other things, which they may try to ſell for caſh to carry them off. Whoever apprehends the ſaid ſervants, ſo that the ſubſcriber ſhall get them again, ſhall be entitled to the above reward, or 50 ſhillings for either.

6X THOMAS GANTT, jun.

To be ſold by the ſubſcriber at public vendue, on Saturday the 30th of September, for current money,

ONE hundred and fifty acres of land, (lying on Bennett's creek, in Frederick county, within two miles of the widow Dowden's, and fourteen miles of Frederick town) containing two plantations, on one of which is a dwelling-houſe, 22 feet by 18, planked above and below with a ſtone chimney, a kitchen, corn-houſe, and tobacco houſe, together with apple, peach, and cherry orchards, and rents for eight pounds—on the other is a dwelling and ſome ſmall out houſes, and rents for ſix pounds ten ſhillings. Any perſon inclinable to purchaſe, may view the ſame, by applying to Nathan Browning, living near the premiſes. 4 w BENJAMIN BROWNING.

N. B. To be ſold the ſame day a negro boy, and ſome articles too tedious to mention. 4X

Daniel Matzler, and Elizabeth his wife, and Elizabeth M'Manus—Againſt—Thomas Williams, and Elizabeth his wife; which ſaid Elizabeth is deviſee of Chriſtopher Wilkinſon, late of Queen-Anne's county, deceaſed,

IN CHANCERY.

WHEREAS the ſaid Daniel Matzler, and Elizabeth his wife, and Elizabeth M'Manus, have filed their bill in this court againſt the ſaid deviſee and adminiſtrators of the ſaid Chriſtopher Wilkinſon, to compel them to reconvey and aſſign certain lands therein mentioned, to the complainants which were heretofore mortgaged by them to the ſaid Chriſtopher Wilkinſon, they the ſaid complainants paying the principal and intereſt due on the ſaid mortgage. This is therefore to give notice, that unleſs the ſaid Thomas Williams, and Elizabeth his wife, do and ſhall appear to the ſaid bill within ſix months from the date hereof, and ſhew cauſe to the contrary, a final order and decree will paſs, and be given by the ſaid court of chancery in the cauſe aforeſaid. 6 m

17 Signed per order, GEO. RANKEN, regiſter.

[illegible] county, [illegible] 18, [illegible]

To be ſold at public vendue, on the 20th day of [illegible] next, on the premiſes,

THE late dwelling plantation of William Black, deceaſed, containing 224 acres of land, with meadows, and good improvements thereon, lying within 10 miles of Baltimore-town; alſo all the ſtock of cattle, horſes, hogs, and ſheep, houſehold goods, &c.

7 6 ROBERT BLACK, executor.

RAN away from the ſubſcriber, living in the lower part of Prince George's county, on the 17th day of July laſt, a negro man, named Ireland, born in the Weſt-Indies, about 5 feet 8 or 9 inches high, ſtender made, one of the fore teeth in his upper jaw beat out about 18 months ago, and now in the ſame place another one growing, on the right ſide of his neck and immediately under his jaw, there is ſome ſcars which he ſaid was occaſioned by ſome diſtemper he had in that part, has had the ſmall pox and a little pitted, a mild fair ſpoken man, not impertinent, but very drunken; had on and took away with him, an old kendal cotton jacket, one pair of petti oat trouſers of rolls, one pair of old white fuſtian breeches, one new ſhirt of rolls, one old white ſhirt, and one Monmouth cap. Whoever ſecures the ſaid negro, ſo that I can get him again, ſhall receive 20 ſhillings more than what is allowed by law.

All maſters of ſhips, and other veſſels, are forbid taking him off at their peril.

3 JOHN BAPTIST [illegible]WELL.

To be ſold on the premiſes, on Tueſday the 26th of September, agreeable to the laſt will of Henry Camden, late of Calvert county, deceaſed, for ſterling, or current money,

A VALUABLE tract of land, lying in Calvert county, near Lyon's creek, containing about 400 acres, the land lies level, ſuitable for corn, tobacco, or ſmall grain; there are on ſaid land, a good dwelling-houſe, 30 feet by 18, two rooms on a floor, with two brick chimnies, three fire places compleatly finiſhed, a kitchen, corn-houſe, quarter, two 40 feet tobacco-houſes, and other out-houſes, with a good orchard; alſo a framed dwelling-houſe 24 feet ſquare, with a kitchen and ſtable ſuitable for a tavern or ſtore, lying on the main road from Annapolis, to Lower Marlborough.

And on Thurſday the 28th, will be ſold two other tracts of land, lying in Prince George's county, within 6 miles of Nottingham, and a quarter of a mile of each other, containing 185 acres. The land is full of timber and rail ſtuff, very ſuitable for tobacco, corn, or ſmall grain, and remarkable for raiſing ſtock of all kinds.

All perſons indebted to the eſtate of Henry Camden, are deſired to make ſpeedy payment, and all having claims againſt the eſtate, are deſired to bring them in legally proved. w 6 JOSEPH CAMDEN, executor.

N. B. The terms will be made known on the day of ſale. 6X

Annapolis, Auguſt 31, 1775.

THE council of ſafety deſirous of forwarding the intentions of the convention in promoting the manufacture of ſalt, ſalt-petre, gunpowder, and fire-arms, requeſt any perſons who are inclined to engage on liberal encouragement in the manufacture of fire-arms, or to erect a powder-mill in the neighbourhood of Baltimore-town, where it will be moſt beneficial, or ſalt, or ſalt-petre works, that they will ſend their propoſals in writing to Gabriel Duvall, clerk of the council of ſafety, and they ſhall be attended to and ſpeedily anſwered. 3 tf

Baltimore county, Patapſco Neck, April 3, 1775.

TWENTY DOLLARS REWARD.

For appprending a Runaway.

JAMES, a mulatto ſlave, ſometimes known by the name of Vulcan, but commonly anſwers to the name of Buck, took an abrupt leave of his overſeer laſt Wedneſday, and has not yet returned; he is a dark mulatto, about 5 feet 9 inches high, ſtrong made, ſenſible, artful, and deceptive in converſation, firm and daring in his efforts to perpetrate villainy, tho' of mild temper, and plauſible in ſpeech; he has frequently travelled through a conſiderable part of this and ſome part of the province of Pennſylvania; is well known, it is ſuppoſed, in the borough and county of Lancaſter, and is acquainted with Philadelphia, may probably therefore re-viſit thoſe places. His working cloaths were a home manufactured long cloth waiſtcoat with ſleeves, and breeches, yarn ſtockings, oſnabrig ſhirt, and good ſhoes, nailed with hobs: he is poſſeſſed of and has taken with him a blue German ſerge coat, a green broad cloth veſt, two pair of cotton and one pair of thread ſtockings, two white ſhirts ruffled at the breaſt, a good caſtor hat with band and buckle, a pair of good pumps, with a pair of double rimmed ſilver buckles. He has a mark of diſtinction, which from modeſty, or ſome other motive, he is careful to conceal; one of his ears (but which is forgot) is remarkably leſs than the other. The above reward will be paid if he ſhould be taken up out of the province, or 60 miles from Baltimore town in the province, and brought home; five pounds if at the diſtance of 40 miles, three pounds if 30, and forty ſhillings if 20 miles, with reaſonable travelling expences, including the legal charge under the act of aſſembly, by tf 16 THOMAS JONES.

Bladenſburgh, September 7, 1775.

At the houſe of Walt Still Pinkerton Church, in Bladenſburgh, on Saturday 16th inſt. of September, will be ſold to the higheſt bidder, for ready money,

PART of a tract of land called Norway, lying within two miles of ſaid town, and containing 15 acres. The land is level, has two dwelling houſes and a tobacco houſe upon it; alſo a ſmall apple-orchard—about 30 acres may be made fine meadow, and from its vicinity to town, may in time be very valuable—an indiſputable right will be made the purchaſer, by

w 3 2 THOMAS BELL.

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